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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS**

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This Response is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 12, 2007, issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the December 12, 2007, Office Action is due January 12, 2008. Since January 12, 2008, falls out on a Saturday, a response is due the next business day, i.e. January 14, 2008. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

Applicants elect to prosecute claims 1-27 of Group I drawn to methods of enhancing the immunogenicity of a bacterial vaccine vector. Applicants have amended claims 28-30 to depend upon elected claims and believe that they may now be examined with claims 1-27 of Group I. However, Applicants reserve all rights to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications for non-elected claims 28-30.